

WZO EXPLAINS ITS AIMS, OBJECTS AND ACHIEVEMENTS

CLOSE COOPERATION OF PARSIS ESSENTIAL

Mr Shahrokh has sent a newsletter of the World Zoroastrian Organisation and Zoroastrians all over the world would do well to study it carefully. The newsletter begins by giving the genesis of the Organisation. It also states how after mature deliberations, the Organisation was formed in London on 18th/19th July 1980.

The aims and objects of the Organisation would bear repetition. They are -

1. To put the Zoroastrian community on the world map by affiliating the WZO with the appropriate international body.
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3. To promote and safe-guard all the interests of all Zoroastrians wherever situated.
4. To study and solve or ameliorate the problems facing Zoroastrians the world over and make representations when and where necessary on behalf of these Zoroastrians.
5. To proclaim the Zoroastrian faith and ethics.

Question repeatedly asked to the office-bearers of the WZO is what can the WZO do for the Zoroastrians? It must be stated that the first and foremost thing for all of us is to strengthen this Organisation and help it put into practice its noble aims and objects. It has been repeatedly pointed out by the office-bearers of the WZO that it does not interfere with the working of the local bodies nor does it want to interfere with the jurisdiction of the local Panchayets.

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As a matter of fact, the WZO will be functioning at a different level always taking the global view of this. At present those who have not been outside India do not appreciate the importance of such an Organisation, but Zoroastrians who had to move away from Iran fully realise the importance and worth and what is more, the potentiality of the WZO. Some of the Zoroastrians went to London and after expiry of their visa, they were asked to quit. Obviously they could not go back to Iran and had to find a new homeland either in the States or in Canada. The membership of WZO has helped them considerably. What has happened in one country may happen elsewhere and in that contingency, a World Body like the WZO alone can deliver the goods. For obvious reasons, the WZO cannot give out all the case histories but the fact remains that it is doing valuable work.

As regards the Parsis of India, the impact of WZO has been far from being satisfactory. This is only because the aims and objects of the Organisation are not properly understood. Further, the WZO does not have a powerful exponent of its aims and objects in this country (India). So far as the Organisation is concerned, it has not been able to reach out to the Parsis although every possible effort has been made by writing letters

to the various Anjumans and Panchayets. Obviously, something more is needed in that direction. The WZO has created a centre in Delhi because two of its Committee Members are in Delhi. It is, however, essential that the WZO should have an office or a chapter in Bombay where the major population of the Parsis reside.

Mr. Shahrokh informs us that in this winter, some of the office-bearers of the WZO will visit India and have consultations and discussions with Parsi leaders. Let us now see what the WZO has actually taken up. It has touched a very important aspect of the Parsi life and that is the shortage of priests. In this direction, they have -

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It is common knowledge that the Mobed population is declining and that if no action is taken to stop this trend, this special class of people within our community may soon become extinct. Should this be allowed to happen it would be to the detriment of our religion and community. As the community is now spread all over the world, it is important to have qualified and knowledgeable priests travelling to and resident in the various lands where pockets of Zoroastrians have settled, in order that they may teach our new generation the essence of their religion, history and culture. Accordingly, the WZO is to sponsor 5 Athornan scholars with the Dader Madressa at a total cost of Rs 25,000.

All this goes to show that the WZO is taking important steps and if it receives the support from other Parsis, it will be able to render more and more service -

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The Parsis of India are mainly bogged down on orthodoxy, old customs, traditions and ceremonies. Some of these things are essential. As a matter of fact, it is on account of preserving these that we have been able to maintain our entity as an outstanding community and have also earned the respect of the sister communities in this sub continent.

The snag, however, is that some Parsi leaders play politics in communal matters and in order to maintain their position and power give an exaggerated importance by hugging the shadow and discarding the substance. This attitude was put to the acid test in the 3rd World Zoroastrian Congress. These leaders began by declaring that controversial subjects should not be discussed at the conference. This was an astonishing statement. Hundreds of delegates had come from a distance of thousands of miles in order to express their views on matters of common interest for all Zoroastrians and to find out a working solution. If we are afraid of even discussing our problems, how could we solve them? In spite of such logical and rational arguments, it was maintained that such discussions would destroy the religion and disintegrate the community. The challenge was taken up by the enlightened section of the community both in India as well as abroad. To the pleasant surprise of everyone, the discussions were keenly followed by thousands of persons and the community agreed that some thing pragmatic must be done in order to put our affairs in order.



The BPP reneged but London went ahead. This progressive but determined trend has been maintained since then. In addition to this, every possible effort is being made to involve the Parsis of India in the project on an ever increasing scale. Already a branch has been opened in Delhi and Chapters will be opened in Bombay, Surat and other towns of India with sizeable Zoroastrian population. One, however, cannot help remarking that Bombay should have been the main centre of activities of the WZO in India, for the simple reason that the largest population of Parsis, its charitable trusts, institutions, etc. are in Bombay. It is, however, not as if the WZO did not make sincere efforts to do so. Unfortunately the willing and suitable persons did not come forward to accept the responsibility.

There are certain small and big projects which can be undertaken under the auspices of the WZO. Let us consider the smaller ones first. Many of our youngsters are going to U.K., Europe and the States for higher studies. Not all of them have proper contacts or guidance. There are also other problems and there used to be no arrangement to guide and advise these young people. The WZO can have such cells which can fulfil the needs. Many of the Zoroastrian Associations of United States have also joined the WZO. This new Chapter can be very useful for our students.

Every year, the Parsis go to Europe and U.S.A. on tour. Some of them have bitter experience mainly because the arrangements on some of the tours are not proper and if they want to see some places on their own, they are faced with several problems. Here the WZO with its vast contacts can be helpful. In London proper, if there is a dormitory or a place where the Parsi travellers can live comfortably and economically, it would be a great blessing. The same holds good for those going to the States. The heavy costs of hotels and motels is beyond the reach of even the well-to-do, mostly because the foreign exchange is inadequate for the purpose. Putting up with the Zoroastrians there would be burdensome. Such arrangement is understandable in the case of persons who are having intimate friends and relatives but for others, it is just not possible nor desirable.

Then again, there is the question of sponsoring of persons. The WZO can be very helpful. Recently, there were some cases when Zoroastrian immigrants from Iran were about to be sent back by the British authorities under the Immigration Laws, but the timely intervention of the WZO gave them a refugee status and the permission to live in U.K. Similarly, the authorities in the U.S. and Canada have respected recommendations of the W.Z.O. This would not be possible in respect of even the biggest and the most prestigious Panchayets and Anjumans.

Generally, the per capita income of Zoroastrians living abroad is higher than those to their co-religionists in India. What is more important, they are ready and willing to help the weaker sections of their community in India. Housing is the



major problem for the Parsis and if the Zoroastrians abroad send their contributions on a regular basis, we are sure that the housing problem can be considerably solved. If money comes in foreign currency, cement quota would be easily available at the official rate. This is a great advantage. But as we have already pointed out in these columns, the confidence and faith of the Zoroastrians abroad is considerably shaken because of the lethargy of our elders in India. We have vast lands as well as adequate funds but have so far failed to bring the two together and build houses. The main obstacle is persona prestige. Now that there is a change of leadership in the BPP, we are sure that the Trustees will work as a harmonious team, that they will not stand on their dignity and meet the donors more than half the way. They should also try to involve Zoroastrians living abroad in this great adventure. This can be done if the activities of the WZO can increase in India. More and more Parsis should become members of the organisation.

Our Gujarati brothers in U.K. and other parts of the western world have already started adopting villages in Gujarat. We are sure that the WZO and its members would come forward to adopt some Parsi children, students, institutions and even villages. They can also suggest small scale industries and even finance them. In order to implement such projects, there can be somebody here to look after the affairs of the WZO.

We have a magnificent library. We have also eminent scholars but so far as the work of bringing out the right type of books regarding our religion and history, precious little is being done. Even the BPP has a Translation Fund but it is not being utilised as it should be. The WZO may look into this matter. It can also generate incentives by declaring awards for meritorious work in different walks of life. We have not heard of the BPP or any Parsi institution or individual giving awards, posthumous or otherwise, to Parsi authors, poets, journalists and artists.

One of the greatest needs of our community today is to have scholarly and dedicated preachers. Majority of the Parsis understand only English and there are very few Parsi preachers who can preach fluently in English. This requires special talent and training. As nothing has been done in this respect, the community has to depend upon one or two solitary preachers who, although they can speak beautifully and movingly in English, either do not understand our religious philosophy or are led away by misconceptions and prejudices of some western scholars. In order to check this trend, there should be a high-powered committee of our scholars, savants and Dasturjis, who can guide and control the work of religious teaching, preaching and propaganda. Our tragedy is that in our microscopic community, there are 4 to 5 different schools of thought which give their own interpretation to the teachings of Lord Zarthushttra. Unfortunately, neither the BPP nor the



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NEWS LETTER

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Dear Fellow Zoroastrian:

You may not know this, but the idea of a World Zoroastrian Organisation was first raised for discussion at the First World Zoroastrian Congress at Tehran in 1962. The motion was then put forward by the Zoroastrian Association of Europe and also at the two subsequent Congresses. The idea was always enthusiastically accepted but no definite plans were laid for the formation of the world body. Many prominent Zoroastrians from all over the world saw the ever increasing need for the W.Z.O. and looked to the Z.A.E. (now Zoroastrian Trust Funds) to lead the way in its formation. After much deliberation and consideration on an international level, the Committee of the Z.T.F. formed the W.Z.O. and registered it, as a legal entity, in the U.K.

The members of the Committee of the W.Z.O. were selected from various parts of the world to make it a truly international representation. The Committee as it is composed today is set out in the appendix attached hereto.

The first Committee Meeting of the W.Z.O. was held on 18th and 19th July 1980 at the above address. Apart from the local members of the Committee, this meeting was attended by:

Dr. Kersey Antia from Chicago

Mr. Dadi Mistry from Delhi

Mr. Mehraban Zartoshty from Tehran

Also in attendance were:

Mr. J. Daruwala, Editor of the Bombay Samachar

Mr. Mehraban Farhangi, representing Fravahar Magazine.

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At this meeting the Committee adopted "FAROHR" as the emblem of the W.Z.O. and "Zoroastrian Unity Worldwide" as the motto. We strongly believe that Unity is of the essence, as in Unity we will find strength. The emblem of Farohr was adopted to signify the combination of good spirit and unity of past, present and future and to signify progress through good thoughts, good words and good deeds.

It was also decided at this meeting to write to every Anjuman/Society/Association in every part of the world and inform them of the formation of the W.Z.O. in order that they might enroll and support the Organisation. The response to this appeal was initially slow but is gradually accelerating and we now number the Anjumans of London, Delhi, New York, California, Chicago, Borivli and Calcutta among our members. We take this opportunity of reconfirming our intention not to interfere with the administration of or supersede the authority of any local panchayat/anjuman.

On Sunday 20th July 1980, on the conclusion of the first Committee Meeting, a Jashan ceremony was held which was attended by over 150 people-an auspicious start to a very worthy, and necessary cause.

#### AIMS AND OBJECTS

Quoted below are some of the aims and objects of the W.Z.O. which we know you will agree are essential to our Community.

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#### PUBLICITY

The Committee feels that at its present stage of development the best form of publicity that the organisation can employ is for its Officers to travel abroad and speak at public meetings on the subject of the W.Z.O. We list hereunder the journeys so far undertaken:

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November 1980

Mr Bailey Irani (President) visits Bombay, Delhi and Karachi. He obtains a brief meeting with Mrs Indira Gandhi (Prime Minister of India) whom he informs about the W.Z.O.

December 1980/January 1981

Dr. (Mrs) S.Kutar (Chairman) visits Bombay and holds 3 public meetings. She also meets with 5 Trustees of the Bombay Parsi Panchayat at a social function arranged by one of the Trustees.

January/February 1981

Mr.Mehraban Zartoshty visits Canada and the U.S.A. Due to the vast distances involved, contact is restricted to the major cities of New York, Los Angeles, Washington, Boston and Vancouver.

March 1981

Mr. Bailey Irani visits the U.S.A. and complements Mr. Zartoshty's previous visit.

April 1981

Mr. Jal Modi visits Calcutta and addresses a public meeting of a local association.

The reports returned by our visiting committee members are most encouraging to our cause. The reception given to our delegates was in all instances welcoming and showed a keen interest in the aims and objects of the W.Z.O.

As more and more Anjumans and individuals come to know of the existence of the W.Z.O. and see in it the essential need for the community, we are confident that they will join with us in uniting the Zoroastrian people globally.

We in the committee of the W.Z.O. reaffirm our belief that it is the individual Zoroastrian who should join the W.Z.O. to give it grass roots support and to exert his/her rightful influence in this non-political, democratic body which gives each member a single vote irrespective of whether he/she be a Grand Patron or Ordinary Member.

We therefore welcome all associations and individuals to register themselves with the W.Z.O. Please remember that Unity Worldwide is our motto. There is need for urgency in this task and men and women of goodwill should join with fervour and enthusiasm.

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## PROJECTS

### a) Athornan Scholars

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### b) Distressing Letter

The chairman of the W.Z.O. received a letter from a social worker in Gujarat detailing the degenerate living and working conditions of the Zoroastrians in that area. The letter stated that if no practical steps were taken to ameliorate the sufferings of these people, the community there may be lost forever. The Committee is making appropriate enquiries in order that a factual report may be prepared on the current situation. Thereafter we hope to take the matter up with the local panchayat/anjuman and work together to improve the lot of our bretheren in Gujerat.

### c) Other Items

We have two further projects in mind, which we will report to you in the next bulletin, by which time they will have reached planning stage.

## WHAT CAN W.Z.O. DO?

This question has been asked by many Zoroastrians in all parts of the world. Our answers are:-

- a) The major contribution that the W.Z.O. can offer is to unite our people. At present, a Zoroastrian in Karachi is a Karachite and a Zoroastrian in Chicago remains a Chicagen. One person does not think of the other or of his needs and problems. When both are members of the W.Z.O. their attitudes and thinking will be directed towards the community as a whole and not towards their individual places of abode.

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- b) Local anjumans see problems in local terms, whereas our world organisation will look at these same problems from a global view point. An international body is more capable of providing an objective opinion and possible solution to local difficulties, if assistance is sought.
- c) Our people have set up small pockets of communities all over the world. Sometimes, for economic or political reasons, these people have moved away from their adopted homes leaving behind assets unattended and to all intents and purposes lost. We believe that the W.Z.O. is able and qualified to take on the task of retrieving these assets.
- d) International student exchange is another area of potential W.Z.O. operation. It is vital that our children born in different continents meet with each other, early in life, to have a feeling of belonging and comradeship.
- e) The W.Z.O. offers its services and expertise to all members of our community and welcomes all suggestions.

#### WHAT CAN YOU DO?

The W.Z.O. will survive and prosper on the support it receives from you and the community. Financial support is no doubt necessary but the support we earnestly look for is your active cooperation and goodwill. We therefore look to all Zoroastrians to give the W.Z.O. their ongoing encouragement, by joining as members of the W.Z.O. This Organisation will survive and prosper as a world force and this force lies within you - the members of the community.

We shall end this newsletter with a sincere prayer. May this infant organisation grow from strength to strength and fire the imagination of a brilliant race to rise above its present level of existence for the ultimate good of our religion and community. May Ahura Mazda grant us the wisdom to join together in a moral and spiritual resurgence for the betterment and general well-being of the Zoroastrian community world wide and of the Faith and the Fire that never dies.

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# THE WORLD ZOROASTRIAN ORGANISATION LIMITED

## MEMORANDUM OF ASSOCIATION

I. The name of the Association is THE WORLD ZOROASTRIAN ORGANISATION LIMITED (hereinafter called the Association).

II. The registered office of the Association will be situated in England.

III. The objects for which the Association is established are as follows :-

The carrying out of all or any of the following objects, that is to say :-

- (1) The advancement of the Zoroastrian religious faith generally and in such particular respects as the Association may from time to time think fit.
- (2) The provision of a burial ground or grounds for persons of the Zoroastrian religion and the upkeep and maintenance of such grounds.
- (3) The relief of poverty among persons of the Zoroastrian religion in such ways as the Association shall from time to time think fit. In furtherance of the said charitable objects the Association shall be enabled to exercise any or all of the following powers :-
  - (a) To establish and maintain charitable homes and hostels and to make grants or pay subscriptions towards the establishment and maintenance of homes and hostels.
  - (b) To make grants or allowances for the purpose of medical treatment and care.
  - (c) To pay subscriptions and make donations to charitable hospitals, homes and institutions having amongst their objects the succour and relief of such persons.



- (d) To publish or assist in the publication of literature relating to the religion and history of Zoroastrians and in the purchase of such publications with the object of advancing the study and dissemination of the information and knowledge of the Zoroastrian faith.
  - (e) To promote the study of, and research into, the Zoroastrian faith and the historical and cultural evolution of the Zoroastrians and the publication of the results of all such study and research.
  - (f) To provide a place of worship devoted to the promulgation and practice of the Zoroastrian faith by payment of the whole or part of the cost of erecting, purchasing, leasing, hiring or otherwise obtaining the use and enjoyment thereof and also by discharge of the cost and expenses of maintaining, repairing, decorating, furnishing, embellishing and renewing as necessary from time to time the contents, fixtures and fittings thereof.
  - (g) Encourage and promote increasing contact, co-operation, unity and solidarity amongst the Zoroastrians throughout the world.
  - (h) Make representations on behalf of Zoroastrians.
  - (i) Study and solve or ameliorate problems facing the Zoroastrians world over.
  - (j) Promote and safeguard the interests (economic, social, cultural, occupational, vocational, professional, etc) of the Zoroastrians throughout the world.
  - (k) To carry out such activities being charitable as the Management Committee shall, in their absolute discretion, think fit for the benefit of the Zoroastrians and in the promotion of their welfare and benefit exclusively.
- (4) To invite and receive or without such invitation receive any voluntary contributions from any person or persons whatsoever by way of donation or annual or other subscription or legacy or otherwise for the support or otherwise for the benefit of the charity hereby constituted.

(5) At any time and from time to time to make such arrangements draw up such a scheme or schemes and make and frame such bye-laws and rules not inconsistent with the charitable objects hereof as the Management Committee of the Association shall in their discretion think fit for the administration of the charity hereby constituted and at any time to amend alter or repeal any of the said arrangements schemes bye-laws or rules as the Management Committee shall think fit.

(6) To hold the proceeds of sale or sales of any real leasehold or general property after payment thereof of the expenses incident thereto as well as Trust monies from time to time requiring investment upon trust and to apply the same in the absolute discretion of the Management Committee as capital or income for such charitable purposes and objects in any manner whatsoever for the benefit of the Zoroastrians.

(7) To apply all or any such sums or sum of money as shall be received by the Association or the Management Committee in respect of the exercise of any of the powers conferred upon the Association hereby or otherwise for all or any of the purposes prescribed hereby whether such sums or sum shall be in the nature of yearly or periodical income or of capital and in particular (but without restricting the generality of the foregoing provisions of this Clause) :

(a) In payment of any costs charges or expenses (including the expenses of insuring against fire or otherwise and repairs or other outgoings of any kind) of or incidental to the use or maintenance of any freehold or leasehold property or any buildings for the time being thereon or any part thereof respectively or the exercise by the Management Committee of the Association of any of the powers conferred upon them by this Memorandum.

(b) In payment of the expenses of or incidental to exercising any power of laying out land or of building or otherwise hereby conferred on the Management Committee of the Association or of executing any other improvement of any kind which the Association and/or the Management Committee shall decide (as they are hereby each authorised to decide) to make in or upon any such property or any building or buildings for the time being thereon or any part thereof respectively in order that the same may be better adapted for the purposes hereof or



- (c) In paying off any mortgage charge or encumbrance of any kind for the time being affecting the Association's Fund or any part thereof.
- (8) To apply the property of the Association in or towards payment of all expenses incurred in the establishing and registering of the Association.
- (9) To invest and deal with the Funds of the Association in such manner as may seem expedient, subject to the limitations prescribed in this Memorandum of Association.
- (10) To repair, sell, let, re-let, lease, exchange, improve, manage, develop, mortgage, or otherwise deal with the whole or any part of the property of the Association and to invest the whole or any part of the moneys of the Association in or upon such investments as may within the limitations of this Memorandum of Association from time to time be determined.
- (11) To do all such other lawful acts as are incidental or conducive to the attainment and furtherance of the above objects, provided that the objects of the Association shall not extend to the regulation of relations between workers and employers or organisations of workers and organisations of employers. Provided also that in case the Association shall take or hold any property subject to the jurisdiction of the Charity Commissioners for England and Wales, the Association shall not sell, mortgage, charge or lease the same without such consent as may be required by law and as regards any such property the Managing Committee or Trustees of the Association shall be chargeable for such property as may come into their hands and shall be answerable and accountable for their own acts, receipts, neglects and defaults and for the due administration of such property in the same manner and to the same extent as they would as such Managing Committee have been if no incorporation had been effected and the incorporation of the Association shall not diminish or impair any control or authority exercisable by the Chancery Division or the Charity Commissioner over such Managing Committee but they shall, as regards any such property, be subject jointly and separately to such control or authority as if the Association were not incorporated. In case the Association shall take or hold any property which may be subject to any trust, the Association shall only deal with the same in such manner as allowed by law having regard to such trusts.

IV. The income and property of the Association shall be applied solely towards the promotion of its objects as set forth in this Memorandum of Association and no portion thereof shall be paid or transferred, directly or indirectly, by way of dividend, bonus or otherwise howsoever by way of profit to members of the Association and no member of the Managing Committee which is its governing body shall be appointed to any office of the Association paid by salary or fees or receive any remuneration or other benefit in money or money's worth from the Association. Provided that nothing herein shall prevent any payment in good faith by the Association :-

- (1) of reasonable and proper remuneration to any member, officer or servant of the Association (not being a member of its Managing Committee) for any services rendered to the Association;
- (2) of interest on money lent by any member of the Association or of its Managing Committee at a rate per annum not exceeding whichever is the greater of 2 per cent less than the minimum lending rate for the time being prescribed by the Bank of England, or 3 per cent;
- (3) of reasonable and proper rent for premises demised or let by any member of the Association or of its Managing Committee;
- (4) of fees, remuneration or other benefit in money or money's worth to a company of which a member of the Managing Committee of the Association may be a member holding not more than 1/100th part of the capital of that Company, and
- (5) to any member of its Managing Committee of out-of-pocket expenses at the discretion of the Management Committee provided specific funds are available for the purpose.

V. The liability of the members is limited.

VI. Every member of the Association undertakes to contribute to the assets in the event of the same being wound up during the time that he is a member or within one year afterwards for payment of the debts and liabilities of the Association contracted before the time at which he ceases to be a Member and of the cost, charges and expenses of winding up the same and for the adjustment of the rights of the contributories amongst themselves such amount as may be required not exceeding one pound.



VII. If upon the winding up or dissolution of the Association there remains after satisfaction of all its debts and liabilities any property whatsoever, the same shall not be paid to or distributed among the Members of the Association but, if and so far as effect can be given to this provision, shall be given to or transferred to some other charitable Institution or Institutions having charitable objects similar or cognate to the objects of the Association to be determined by Members at or before the time of dissolution, or in default thereof by such Judge of the High Court of Justice as may have or acquire jurisdiction in the matter and insofar as effect cannot be given to such provision, then to some charitable object for the benefit of Zoroastrians exclusively.

VIII. The resources and services of the Association shall be applied for the objects or any of them herein contained strictly for the benefit of Zoroastrians.

We, the several persons whose names and addresses are subscribed are desirous of being formed into an Association in pursuance of this Memorandum of Association.

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## THE WORLD ZOROASTRIAN ORGANISATION LIMITED

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ARTICLES OF ASSOCIATION

1. For the purpose of registration the number of the Members of the Association is declared to be limited to 50,000 consisting of Grand Patrons, Patrons, Life Members, Ordinary Members, and such other classes of Members as the Committee of the Association may from time to time elect. The Committee of the Association may, whenever they shall think fit, register an increase of Members.

2. These Articles shall be construed with reference to the provisions of the Companies Acts 1948 to 1976 and terms used in these Articles shall be taken as having the same respective meanings as they have when used in those Acts.

3. The Association is established for the purposes expressed in the Memorandum of Association.

## QUALIFICATION OF MEMBERS

4. Persons born into and confirmed in the Zarathustrian faith only shall, subject to election as hereinafter provided, be qualified to become Members of the Association.

## QUALIFICATION FOR REGISTRATION

5. Anjumans of Zarathustrian faith only shall, subject to election hereinafter provided, be eligible for registration under Article 11.

## ADMISSION OF MEMBERS

6. Save as aforesaid persons shall be admitted to Membership of the Association by election only.

7. The election of Members shall be vested in the Committee and be made in such manner and at such times as the Committee may from time to time determine.

8. Every person shall be deemed to have agreed to become a Member of the Association who shall have signified his (or her) desire to become a Member, and shall have been duly elected.

9. The Members of the Association shall be those persons whose names are for the time being upon the Register of the Association.

10. The Secretary shall from time to time enter on the Register the names of such persons who shall have been duly elected to Membership of the Association.

11. Membership of the Association for individuals may be either (1) Grand Patron, (2) Patron, (3) Life or (4) Ordinary Membership.

12. Anjumans (organised bodies) may register with the Association for an annual registration fee.

#### HONORARY MEMBERS

13. On recommendation, Members of the Managing Committee may elect, by not less than three-fourths majority, as Honorary Member any Zarathustrian who may have rendered meritorious services to the community in religious, social, economic or intellectual advancement of the community or whose public services and achievements may have reflected exceptional credit on the community.

#### SUBSCRIPTIONS

14. Every individual Member shall pay to the Association in lump sum £500 or more for Grand Patron Membership for life, £250 or more for Patron Membership for life, £75 or more for Life Membership and £5 annual subscription for Ordinary Membership. The amount of the subscriptions for Membership may be varied from time to time at the discretion of the Managing Committee of the Association. Any Member may retire from Membership on giving one calendar month's notice to the Secretary of his desire to retire and at the end of such month shall cease to be a Member.

15. Annual Registration Fee for Anjumans is £10.

16. (a) All subscriptions and registration fees to the Association shall be payable in advance on the first day of January every year, the financial year being from the first day of January to the thirty-first day of December following.

(b) Any Member who permits his or her subscription or registration fee to fall into arrears for six months shall be requested in writing to pay the same within one month of the intimation. If at the expiration of that period the subscription is not paid, he/she shall cease to be a Member.



17. Grand Patrons, Patrons, Life Members and Ordinary Members who have paid their subscriptions for the current year shall have the right to attend every General Meeting of the Association and to speak thereat. All individual Members of the Association who have paid their full subscriptions before the date of convening a Meeting shall have the right to vote at such meetings. Anjumans registered with the Association are not entitled to vote.

#### THE HONORARY OFFICERS OF THE ASSOCIATION

18. (a) The affairs of the Association shall be managed by a Committee consisting of a Chairman, a President, a Vice President, Joint Secretaries, a Treasurer and not less than eleven or more than fifteen other Members to be elected in manner hereinafter appearing. Of these, seven members shall be from overseas. All the aforesaid Officers and Members must be Members of the Association qualified to vote. The Offices of Secretary and Treasurer may be combined in one person if necessary.
- (b) In addition to the above there may be at the discretion of the Committee, and subject to such conditions as the Committee may from time to time in that behalf frame be co-opted a Representative of any other body or bodies exclusively composed of Zarathustrians, which is or may be affiliated to or recognised for the purposes of mutual co-operation with the Association for the promotion of Zoroastrian interests, such Representative to be nominated from among its Members by the body which is to be so represented at each election of the Committee of the Association, or as often as the Representative so appointed shall vacate his place.
- (c) An honorary Officer or Member of the Committee of the Association shall be required to vacate his office or place if -
  - (i) a receiving order is made against him or he makes any arrangement or composition with his creditors;
  - (ii) he becomes of unsound mind;
  - (iii) being an elected Member he ceases to be a Member of the Association;
  - (iv) being a Member co-opted under the provisions of paragraph (b) of this Article, his nomination to act as such is withdrawn by the body he was co-opted to represent.

- (v) by notice in writing to the Association he resigns his office or place;
- (vi) he becomes prohibited from holding office by reason of any order made against him under the Companies Acts 1948 to 1976 or otherwise; or
- (vii) he is removed from office by a resolution duly passed pursuant to Section 184 of the Companies Act 1948 or by reason of any other provision of that Act or any re-enactment or statutory modification or amendment thereof.

PROVIDED ALWAYS AND IT IS HEREBY STATED that Section 185 of the Companies Act 1948 shall be deemed not to apply under these Articles and no Member of the Association shall be or become ineligible to hold any elective office of the Association merely by virtue of attaining the age of seventy or any particular age.

#### ELECTION OF COMMITTEE AND HONORARY OFFICERS

19. (a) The Members of the Committee shall be elected by Members of the Association qualified to vote personally or by proxy at the Annual Meeting of the Association. The persons proposed to fill the vacancies shall be nominated and seconded, and shall be elected by one single ballot if the number of nominations exceeds the number of vacancies.
- (b) At the Annual General Meeting one-third of the Members of the Committee for the time being, or if their number is not a multiple of three, then the number nearest to but not exceeding one-third, shall retire. The Members of the Committee to retire shall be those who have been longest on the Committee since their last election. As between Members of equal seniority the Members to retire shall be selected from among them by drawing lots. Retiring Members of the Committee shall be eligible for re-election.
- (c) Should a vacancy occur in the Committee or in the office of the Chairman and /or of the President between two Annual Meetings, the remaining Members of the Committee may elect one of the Members of the Association entitled to vote to fill the vacancy until the next Annual Meeting when the place thus filled will become automatically vacant and be refilled in the manner aforesaid.
- (d) The Chairman shall be elected at the Annual General Meeting from amongst the Members of the new Committee and the remaining Office-bearers shall be elected by the Committee.

- (e) A Member of the Committee living in the United Kingdom who shall have been absent without leave from four consecutive Meetings of the Committee, shall cease to be its Member. A Member of the Committee who shall otherwise under the terms of Article 17 (c) hereof becomes disqualified from continuing office as such shall cease to be its Member. Such a vacancy shall be filled by the remaining Members of the Committee in the manner aforesaid.

20. For the period immediately following the Incorporation of the Association the Chairman, the President, and Committee shall be as stated below:-

DR. (MRS) SHIRINBANOO SOHRAB KUTAR	CHAIRMAN
BAILEY RUSTOM IRANI	PRESIDENT
SHAHPUR FRAMROZE CAPTAIN	VICE PRESIDENT
SOLI PESTONJI MASTER	JT. HON. SECRETARY
SHAHROKH SHAHROKH	JT. HON. SECRETARY
DINYAR JAL MODI	HON. TREASURER
DR. FARHANG MEHER	COMMITTEE MEMBER
MEHRABAN ZARTOSHTY	COMMITTEE MEMBER
<del>JAMSHED KHURSHEDJI PAVRI</del>	COMMITTEE MEMBER
DR. KERSI ANTIA	COMMITTEE MEMBER
DADI E. MISTRY	COMMITTEE MEMBER
DR. ROSTAM K. SARFEH	COMMITTEE MEMBER
NOSHIRWAN MULUK IRANI	COMMITTEE MEMBER
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MRS. MANIJEH BHUMGARA	COMMITTEE MEMBER
MEHERWAN SHAPURJI SEPAI	COMMITTEE MEMBER

who have duly consented to act in terms of Clause 1 of the Companies Act 1948 by subscribing their names to the Memorandum and these Articles of Association.



## POWERS OF COMMITTEE

21. (a) Subject to the provisions of the Companies Act 1948 and 1976 and the Articles and to any such direction not inconsistent with the aforesaid Articles and provisions as may be prescribed by the Association at a General Meeting, and so that no direction of the Association in General Meeting shall invalidate any prior act of the Committee which would have been valid if such direction had not been given, the Committee shall have insofar as not otherwise provided in these presents, the entire management of the property and funds of the Association and shall have power subject to the provisions of Clause 4 of the Memorandum of Association of the Association to appoint and dismiss paid Assistant Secretaries (not being Members of the Committee) and Accountants and other ordinary officers and servants, and fix their salaries, remuneration or wages. The Committee may from time to time make rules for the management of the affairs of the Association, and vary any regulations so made, and all regulations so made and for the time being in force shall be binding on Members of the Association and shall have full effect accordingly; provided that, without a Special Resolution of the Association, no rule shall be made, repealed or altered which would amount to such an alteration of or addition to the Articles as could only legally be made by a Special Resolution of the Association.
- (b) A meeting of the Committee at which a quorum for the transaction of business is present shall be competent to exercise all the authorities powers and discretions by or under the regulations of the Association for the time being vested in the Committee generally. All acts bona fide done by any quorate meeting of the Committee or of any sub-committee or any person acting as a Member of or on behalf of the Committee thereat shall, notwithstanding it be afterwards discovered that there was some defect in the appointment or continuance in office of any such person or member acting as aforesaid or that they or any of them were disqualified, be as valid as if every such person had been duly appointed or had duly continued in office and was qualified to be a Member of the Committee.

22. The Committee may apply the property of the Association in or towards the carrying out of the objects of the Association as set forth in the Memorandum of Association, and may also, out of such property, pay all expenses incurred in establishing and registering the Association, or which are incidental thereto.

23. (a) No person except two of the following office bearers, viz. the Chairman, the President, the Hon. Treasurer and one of the Joint Hon. Secretaries, shall have any authority to sign cheques for and on behalf of the Association and, subject to a resolution of the Committee, make accept or endorse any Promissory Note or Bill of Exchange in the name or on behalf of the Association, or otherwise pledge the credit of the Association, or to enter into any Contract so as to impose thereby any liability on the Association.

(b) No securities or shares or bonds or title deeds shall be withdrawn from the custody of any Bank except under an authority signed by any two of the following office bearers, viz. the Chairman, Hon. Treasurer and one of the Joint Hon. Secretaries and countersigned by the President.

24. The Committee may invest anywhere in the world any of the Funds of the Association, and any surplus of the resulting income therefrom, in public stocks or funds or upon the shares, stocks, bonds or mortgages or debentures of any Corporation or Company or public body, municipal, commercial or otherwise, or upon depositor interest at any Joint Stock or other public Bank, or Freehold, Copyhold, Leasehold, or other Mortgage Securities and the Committee may withdraw, alter and vary such investments. The Committee may take property either on mortgage or by purchase with an insufficient title, and as security of insufficient value.

#### PROCEEDINGS OF COMMITTEE

25. The Committee may meet together for the despatch of business at such places and at such times as they may think fit, and may make such regulations as they shall think proper for summoning and holding their Meetings, and for the transaction of business thereat, and they may from time to time determine the quorum necessary for the transaction of business at their Meetings. Until otherwise determined, five Members of the Committee shall form a quorum. Any five Members of the Committee may summon a Meeting of the Committee, by a request in writing to the Secretary.

26. Questions arising at any Meeting of the Committee shall be decided by the majority of the votes and in all cases on an equality of votes, the presiding Chairman shall have a second or casting vote.

27. The Committee may at any time appoint any two or more of its Members to act as a Sub-Committee for any purposes, and may delegate to any such Sub-Committee any of the powers, authorities and discretions vested in the Committee. All recommendations by any such Sub-Committee shall be submitted for adoption by the Committee.

28. Any Sub-Committee shall, in the exercise of the powers delegated to it, conform to any regulation that may be imposed upon it by the Committee. The Committee shall prescribe the number of such Sub-Committee to form a quorum.

29. The Committee shall cause books to be provided for the purpose of entering Minutes, and the Committee or the Sub-Committee as the case may be, shall cause Minutes to be made of the following matters, viz :-

- (a) Of the names of the Members of the Committee present at every Meeting of the Committee and of the Members of the Sub-Committee (appointed by the Committee) present at every Meeting of the Sub-Committee respectively.
- (b) Of the proceedings of all the Meetings of the Committee and of the Sub-Committee appointed by the Committee and of all Meetings of the Association.

30. The Minutes of the Proceedings of any such Meeting shall be read and confirmed at the same or subsequent Meeting and signed by the Chairman. The Minutes so signed shall be sufficient evidence of the facts stated in such Minutes.

31. The Committee shall provide for safe custody of the Seal and such Seal shall not be used except by the authority of the Committee. Every instrument sealed by the Association shall be signed by two Members of the Committee and countersigned by the President or other Officer to be appointed by the Committee in his place for that purpose.

32. The Committee shall have power to alter and change the Seal from time to time and may on behalf of the Association exercise the powers of the "Companies' Seals Act 1864", which are hereby declared to be given to the Association.



## GENERAL MEETINGS

33. A General Meeting shall be held at least once in every year, on such day and at such time and place as the Committee shall from time to time determine subject to the provisions of the Companies Act 1948 or any re-enactment, statutory modification or amendment thereof: the ordinary business of such Meeting shall be to receive and consider the income and expenditure account and balance sheet of the Association and the reports of the Committee and the Auditors, to elect the Members of the Committee in place of those retiring and both to appoint and to fix the remuneration of the Auditors. No resolution shall be moved at the Annual Meeting other than those relating to the business mentioned above and unless notice of its terms signed by the Proposer, has reached the Secretary at least three clear days before the Meeting.

34. The above-mentioned General Meetings shall be called Ordinary or Annual Meetings. All other General Meetings shall be called Special Meetings.

35. Forty-one days' notice at the least of each Annual Meeting and of every Meeting convened to pass a special resolution specifying the place the day and the time of the Meeting (and in case of special business, the general nature of such business), shall be given in manner hereinafter mentioned or in such other manner consistent with the provisions of the law for the time being relating thereto as shall be prescribed by the Committee to all such persons (including the Auditors) as are under these articles or under the affecting legislation entitled to receive such notice, but non-receipt of such notice by any Member shall not invalidate the proceedings at any General Meeting.

36. The Committee may at any time, on giving three months notice, convene a Special Meeting (not being a Meeting convened to pass a Special Resolution), and shall do so on the written requisition of at least 5% of total membership of the Association or 1,000 members whichever is the greater entitled to vote stating the object thereof. The notice of the Meeting shall contain a copy of the Resolution or Resolutions to be proposed, which must relate directly to the affairs of the Association and no other business shall be transacted at the Meeting. The quorum for a Special General Meeting shall be fifteen, and no Resolution shall be adopted at any such Meeting unless supported by the votes of three-fourths of the voting Members.

37. General Meetings shall be held at such convenient times and places in London or city of the registered office as the Committee may direct.

38. All the business that is transacted at a Special Meeting and all business that is transacted at an Ordinary or Annual Meeting (other than that specifically mentioned above under Article 32) shall be deemed to be special.

39. Fifteen Members entitled to vote and personally present shall constitute a quorum at a General Meeting.

40. If within thirty minutes from the time appointed for a General Meeting a quorum be not present, the Meeting if convened on the requisition of Members shall be dissolved. In any other case it shall stand adjourned to the next day, and at the same hour and place, or to such other day within fourteen days thereafter and to such hour and place as the majority of Members present and entitled to vote shall determine, and if at such adjourned Meeting five such Members are not present it shall be adjourned sine die.

41. At any adjourned General Meeting the Members present, whatever their number (not being less than five) shall have power to decide upon all the matters which could properly have been disposed of at the Meeting from which the adjournment took place, if a sufficient number of the Members had been present thereat.

42. In the absence of the Chairman, the President of the Association shall be entitled to preside as Chairman at every General Meeting of the Association. If there is no such President or if at any Meeting he is not present within fifteen minutes after the time appointed for holding same, or being present, he shall be unwilling to act as the Chairman of the Meeting, the Vice-President, or failing him, any Member of the Committee present shall be elected by the Meeting to act as Chairman. In the event of there being no Member of the Committee present, or in case of the refusal of the Members of the Committee who are present to take the Chair, the voting Members present shall choose one of their own number to be Chairman of such Meeting, who shall be entitled to continue as such Chairman to the close of the Meeting.

43. The Chairman of a General Meeting may, with the consent of the Meeting adjourn the same from time to time and from place to place, but no business shall be transacted at an Adjourned Meeting other than the business left unfinished at the Meeting from which the adjournment took place.

44. Minutes shall be made in books to be provided for that purpose of all resolutions and proceedings of General Meetings and every Minute signed by any person purporting to be the Chairman of the Meeting to which it relates or of the next subsequent Meeting of the Association shall be sufficient evidence of the facts therein stated.

45. At any General Meeting, unless a poll is demanded, by at least five Members, or by a Member or Members present representing one-tenth of the total voting rights of all Members having the right to vote at the Meeting a declaration by the Chairman that a resolution has been carried or carried by any particular majority or lost and an entry to that effect in the Book of Proceedings of the Association shall be sufficient evidence of the fact without proof of the number or proportion of the votes recorded in favour of or against such a resolution.

46. (a) No Poll may be demanded on the election of a Chairman of a Meeting, or on any question of adjournment.

(b) If a Poll is duly demanded on any matter other than the aforesaid, it shall be taken by secret ballot at such time and place and either immediately or after an interval or adjournment, as the Chairman may direct, and the result of the Poll shall be deemed the Resolution of the Meeting at which the Poll is demanded. The Chairman of a General Meeting shall, in case of an equality of votes at the Meeting, or at the Poll, if a Poll is demanded, be entitled to a casting vote in addition to the vote which he is entitled as a Member.

(c) The demand for a Poll may be withdrawn, but if not, it shall not prevent the continuance of a Meeting for the transaction of any business other than the question on which such Poll has been demanded.

47. Every Member qualified to vote shall be entitled to one vote.



## MISCELLANEOUS

## ACCOUNTS

48. The Committee shall cause proper books of accounts to be kept with respect to (a) the assets and liabilities of the Association, (b) all sums of money received and expended, (c) all other matters necessary for showing the true state and condition of the Association. The Accounts shall be kept in such books and in such manner as, subject to the unavoidable provisions of the law, relating thereto, the Committee shall think fit.

49. The Books of Account shall be kept at the office, or, subject to Section 147 (2) of the Companies Act 1948, or other equivalent provision of the law for the time being in force, at such other place or places as the Committee shall think fit, and shall always be open to the inspection of the Members of the Committee or any of them.

50. A General Balance Sheet with an Income and Expenditure Account for the year shall be made out and laid before the Association at the Annual Meeting in each year. Every such Balance Sheet shall contain a summary of the assets and estimated liabilities of the Association as at the end of the financial year of the Association and shall be accompanied by proper reports of the Committee and the Auditors and a copy of such Accounts and Reports shall be sent to all persons (including the Auditors) entitled to receive notices of General Meetings, normally not less than twenty-one clear days before the date of the Meeting but subject nevertheless to the provisions of Section 158 (1) of the Companies Act 1948 or other equivalent provision or law for the time being in force.

## AUDIT

51. Once at least in every year the Accounts of the Association shall be examined and the correctness of the Income and Expenditure Account and Balance Sheet ascertained by one or more properly qualified Auditor or Auditors. The Auditors for this purpose shall be appointed and their duties regulated in accordance with Section 159 to 161 of the Companies Act 1948 and Section 14 of the Companies Act 1976 or such re-enactment or statutory modification or amendment of those sections as may at any time replace or vary all or any of the provisions thereof.

## NOTICES

52. All notices may be served by the Association upon any Member of the Committee or other Member either personally or by sending them through the post in a prepaid letter addressed to such Member at his registered address or place of abode.

53. Any notice, if sent by post, shall be deemed to have been served at the time when the same is posted, and in proving such service it shall be sufficient to prove that the same was properly addressed and put into the post.

54. All notices required by the Companies Act 1948 or any Act for the time being in force to be given by advertisement shall be advertised in a daily paper published in London.

## GENERAL

55. The Committee be and is hereby empowered to re-number the Articles of Association.

## DISSOLUTION

56. The provisions of Clause 7 of the Memorandum of Association relating to the winding up and dissolution of the Association shall have effect as if the provisions thereof were repeated in these Articles.

We, the several persons whose names and addresses are subscribed  
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